

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 32 public bills, H.R. 5545–5576; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 834–835 were introduced. **Pages H3440–42**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H3443–45**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4744, to impose additional sanctions with respect to serious human rights abuses of the Government of Iran, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–642, Part 1); and

H.R. 3144, to provide for operations of the Federal Columbia River Power System pursuant to a certain operation plan for a specified period of time, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–643, Part 1).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Weber (TX) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3399**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:36 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3402**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:59 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m. **Page H3428**

**21st Century Internal Revenue Service Act:** The House passed H.R. 5445, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve cybersecurity and taxpayer identity protection, and modernize the information technology of the Internal Revenue Service, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 145. **Pages H3422–28, H3428–29**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3422**

H. Res. 831, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 5444) and (H.R. 5445) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 239 yeas to 177 nays, Roll No. 144, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nays vote of 226 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 143. **Pages H3405–11**

**Taxpayer First Act:** The House passed H.R. 5444, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 414 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 146. **Pages H3411–22, H3429**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3411**

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Pursuant to section 3(a) of H. Res. 831, in the engrossment of H.R. 5444 the Clerk shall: (1) await the disposition of H.R. 2901, H.R. 5437, H.R. 5438, H.R. 5439, H.R. 5440, H.R. 5443, H.R. 5445, and H.R. 5446; (2) add the respective texts of all bills specified in paragraph (1), as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 5444; (3) conform the title of H.R. 5444 to reflect the addition to the engrossment of the text of all the bills specified in paragraph (1) that have passed the House; (4) assign appropriate designations to provisions within the engrossment; and (5) conform cross-references and provisions for short titles within the engrossment. (b) Upon the addition to the engrossment of H.R. 5444 of the text of the bills as specified in subsection (a)(1) that have passed the House, such bills shall be laid on the table.

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, April 17th.

**Justice for Victims of IRS Scams and Identity Theft Act:** H.R. 2905, H.R. 2905, amended, to require the Attorney General to establish procedures for expedited review of the case of any person who unlawfully solicits personal information for purposes of committing identity theft, while purporting to be acting on behalf of the IRS, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 403 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 147; **Pages H3429–30**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To require the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury to report to Congress on efforts to combat identity theft, including by persons purporting to be acting on behalf of the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes.”. **Page H3430**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, April 19th and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 3 p.m. on Monday, April 23rd. **Page H3430**

**Senate Referrals:** S. 1281 was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security. S.J. Res. 57 was held at the desk. **Page H3438**

**Senate Messages:** Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H3411 and H3428.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3410, H3410–11, H3428–29, H3429, and H3429–30. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Agriculture:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2, the “Agriculture and Nutrition Act of 2018”. H.R. 2 was ordered reported, as amended.

### MEMBER DAY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representative Thompson of Pennsylvania.

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*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Lance, Griffith and Gonzalez-Colon of Puerto Rico.

### MEMBER DAY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Correa, Espaillat, Graves of Louisiana, Jayapal, Kihuen, Kildee, Suozzi, and Visclosky.

### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES BIODEFENSE ACTIVITIES

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing entitled “Health and Human Services Biodefense Activities”. Testimony was heard from Robert Kadlec, M.D., Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, Department of Health and Human Services; Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., Director, National Institute of Allergy and Diseases, National Institutes of Health; and Stephen Redd, M.D., Director, Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS—OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Office of Management and Budget. Testimony was heard from Mick Mulvaney, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

### APPROPRIATIONS—CENSUS BUREAU

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Census Bureau. Testimony was heard from Ron Jarmin, Acting Director, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce; Robert Goldenkoff, Director of Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office; and David Powner, Director of Information Technology, Government Accountability Office.

### APPROPRIATIONS—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Agriculture officials: Sonny Perdue, Secretary; Seth Meyer, Chairman, World Agricultural Outlook Board, Office of the Chief Economist; and Diem-Linh Jones, Acting Budget Officer.

### APPROPRIATIONS—JUDICIARY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Judiciary. Testimony was heard from John W. Lungstrum, Chair, Committee on the Budget of the Judicial Conference of the United States; and James C. Duff, Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts.

### APPROPRIATIONS—OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the Office of Compliance. Testimony was heard from Susan Grundmann, Executive Director, Office of Compliance.

### APPROPRIATIONS—CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the Congressional Budget Office. Testimony was heard from Keith Hall, Director, Congressional Budget Office.